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The Feel of Swaying

Maybe I'm too heavy...? Sorry about that.

Don't feel like walking?

...She's eating grass.

MNCH

MNCH

Or your horse won't respect you!

Be more firm!

Kick it! Grip the reins harder!

Ohh-kay.

That much I can do.

Of course. Then, start by... coming to my side.

Slower, please!

Whoooa-hooh... Sway-ey...

Come, we're going.

Watch what you say.

How did you hear that?!

Is that right?

TOK

TOK

And here I thought I had experience dealing with stubborn animals.

TOK

TOK

TOK

I may not look it, but I was a knight by age three.

Three!

So posh.

I didn't expect you to actually ride a horse.

I'm jealous. I've never ridden a *rocking* horse.

Well aren't you nice...

Get down.

I could get used to hearing your pitiful wails.

They sway in a way unlike any other mode of transport.

Horses are wonderful creatures.

You really get a feel of their gait.

No more secrets for you.

Hm-hm!

That's something new to appreciate.

I'd like to think that's how balloons feel.

Floating up and falling down...

What about swings?

My bum gets sore, but the wind feels very nice.

I like that I can feel every twist and turn in your driving.

Hmm...

How does it compare to... a motor-bike?

Oh...? Let me see...

Any hints?

Do you know what the safest and most convenient vehicle of all is?

...And how do you ride it?

Tell it to walk and it'll walk.

Tell it to run and it'll run.

You hold on to it.

...

Do people other than I ride it?

...

Three-year old children often want to...

Can I ride it even if I've had a few too many drinks?

If anything, it's suited *just for* such occasions.

You've already ridden it many times before.

JAB
JAB
I don't need to.
Why not?
You should've gotten it by now.
KLOP KLOP
but I won't say it.
I think I have,
STOMP
STOMP
Speaking about other rides around the horses might have been a bit rude...
Oh dear...
That was close!
Whoa!
KLOP
KLOP
KLOP

Feeling like I've grown all of a sudden. Plus, horses just smell **wonderful.**

Hmm.

Oh, and...

How do I put this...

What did you like about it?

Thanks for the lesson.

Mm, that was fun.

You're welcome.

I like the fact...

...that we're eye-to-eye with each other.

...Hmm?

Y—

Yeah.

There it is. "Your back."

Uhp...

...Huh?

There's when I'm riding on your back, too.

Nope. That's not quite the same.

That happens when we're on stairs, when you're a step or two below me.

I can tell that much.

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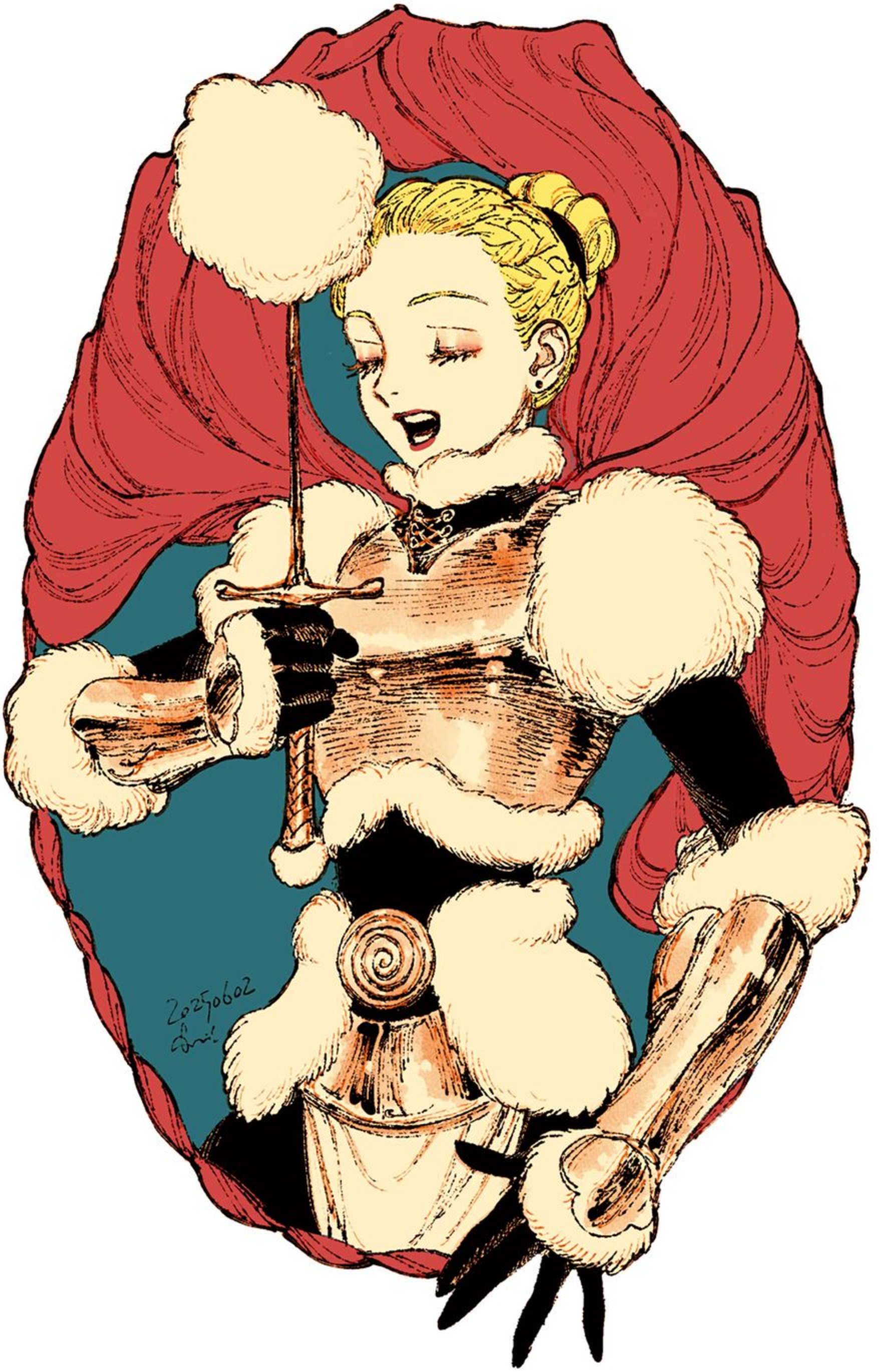
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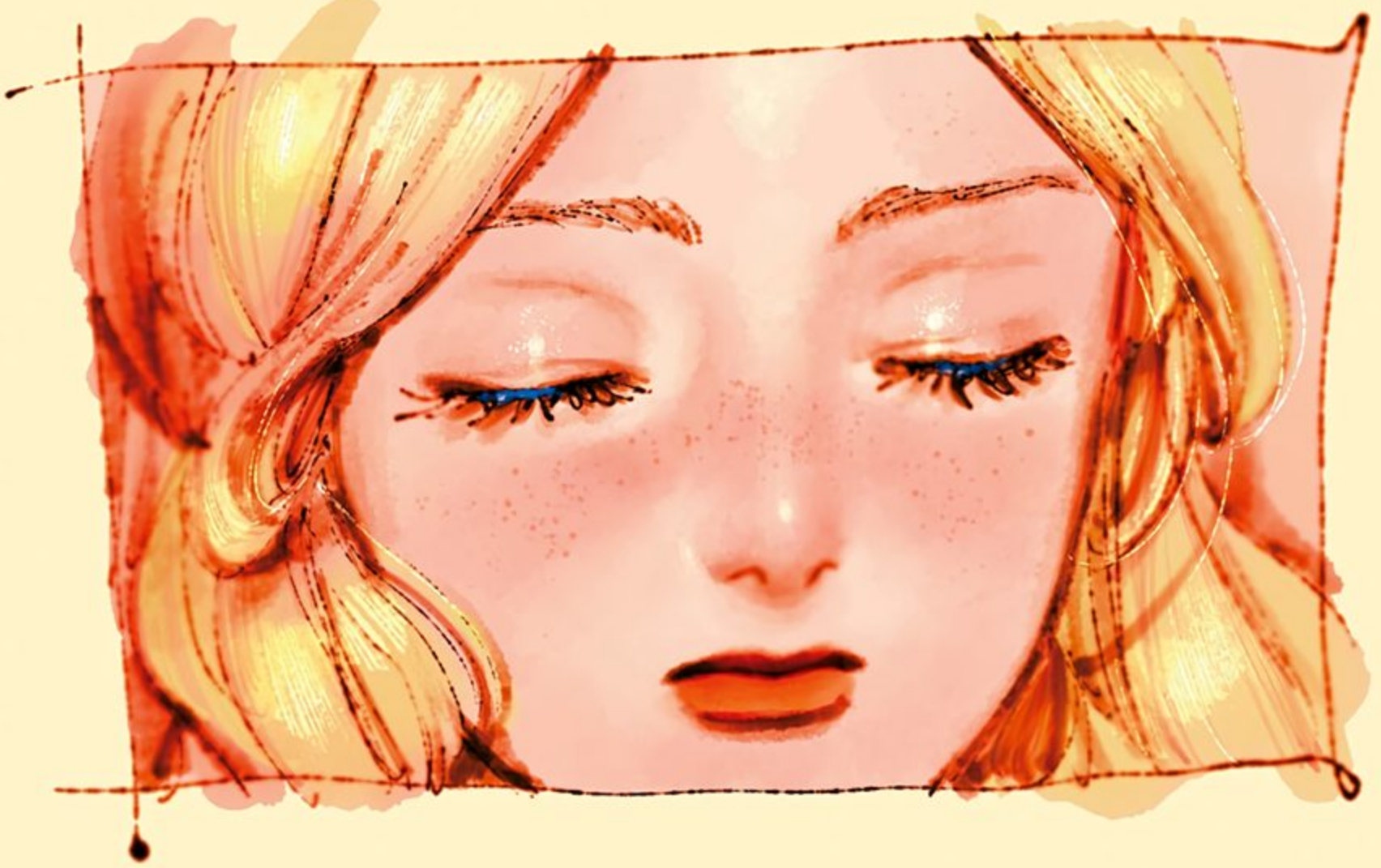

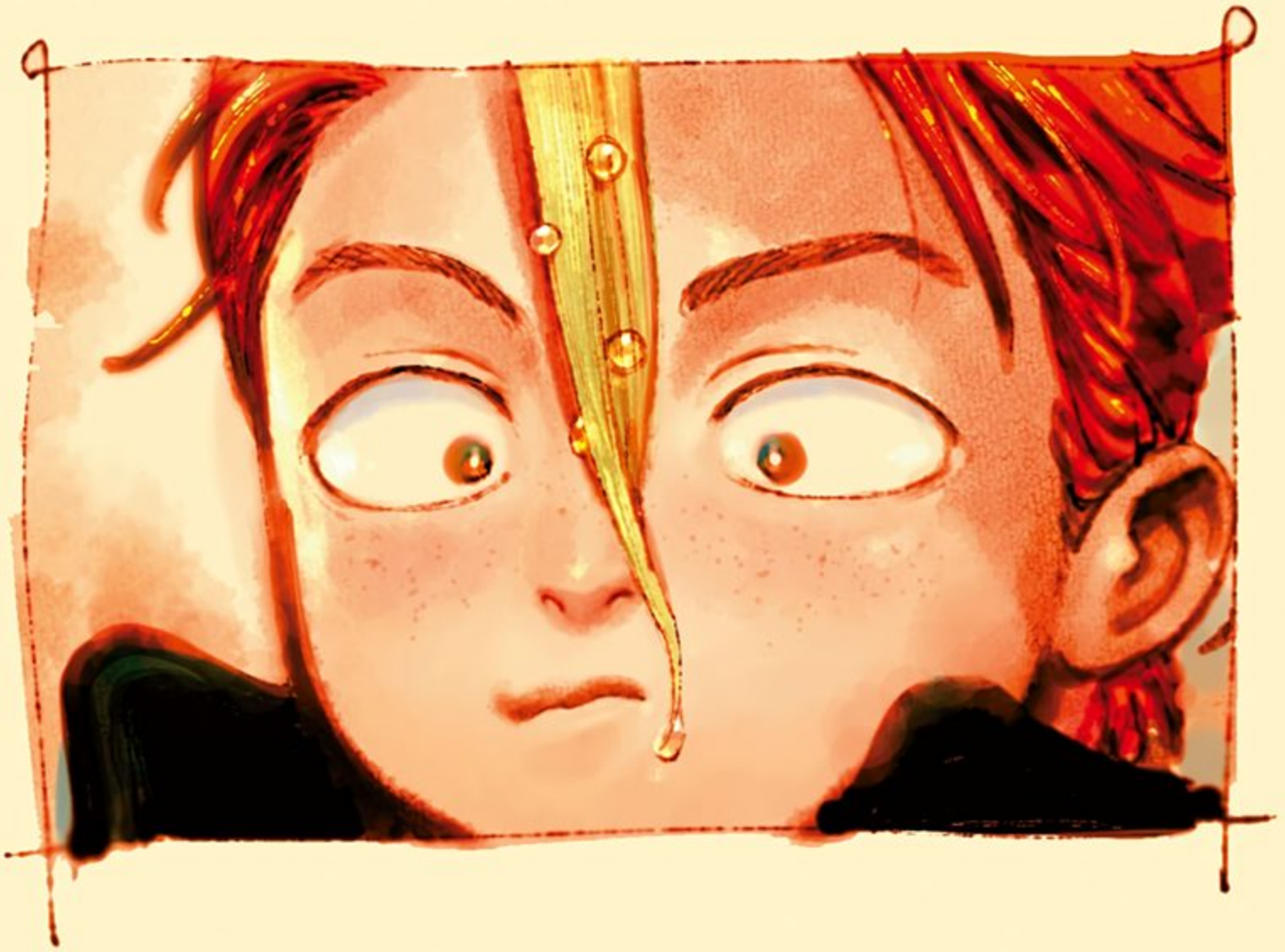

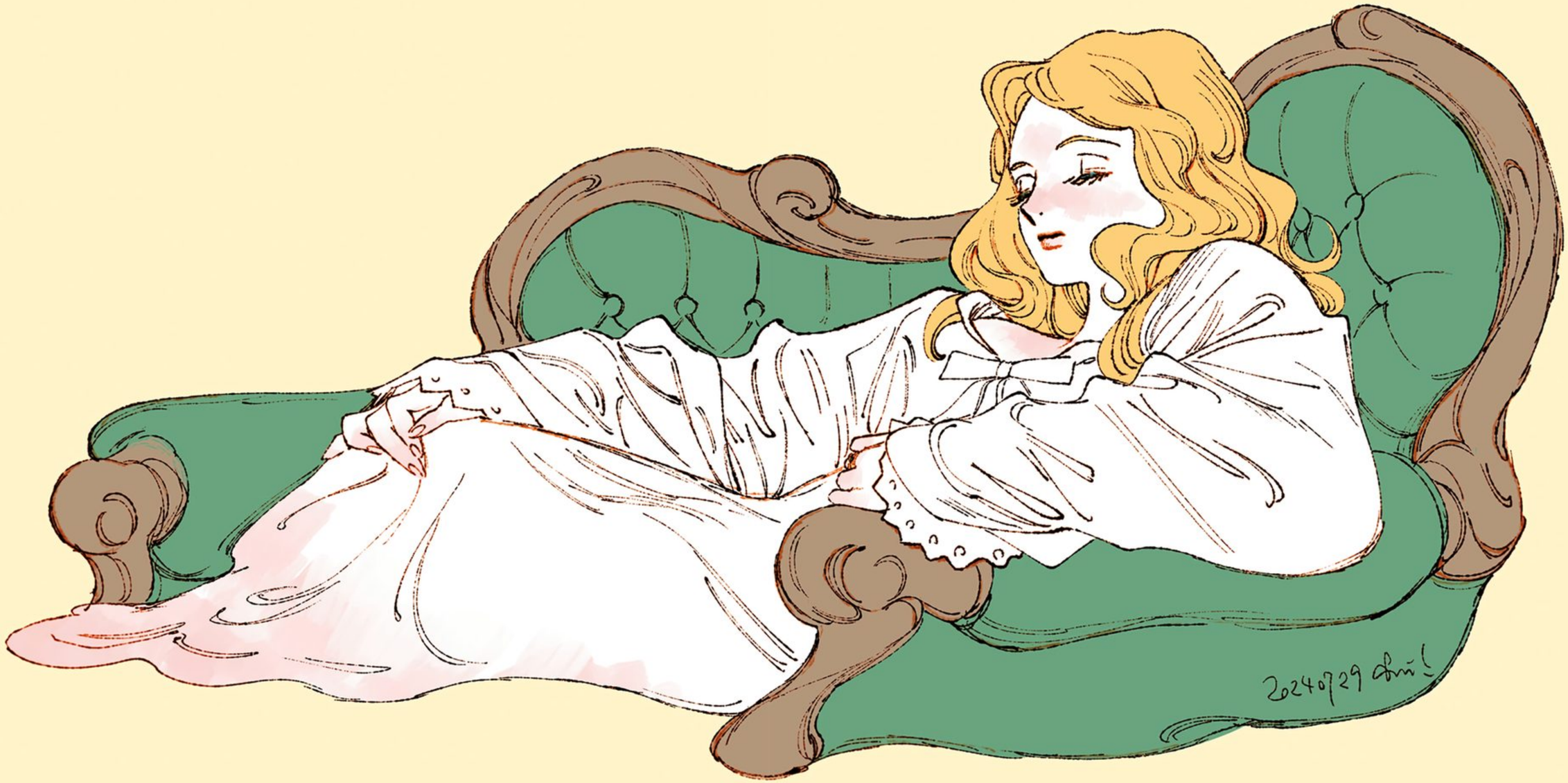
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